

20-CENT STATE TAX TWO YEARS

Required to Make Up Deficit in the Vermont State Budget Report

ESTIMATED INCOME IS PUT AT \$3,711,300

Budget Committee Makes Report for Biennial Term Ending June 30, 1921

The Vermont state appropriations estimated and recommended by the budget committee for the biennial period ending June 30, 1921, amount to \$4,857,800, to which must be added the \$149,500 appropriations made by the legislature of 1917, payment of which must be provided for. The general revenue estimated by the budget committee for the biennial period is \$3,711,300, leaving a gross deficit of \$1,296,000, from which should be deducted the contingent fund of \$200,000, leaving a deficit of \$1,096,000.

This deficit would necessitate a direct state tax of 20 cents on a dollar of the grand lists for the years 1919 and 1920, which it is estimated would bring \$1,075,000, leaving a net deficit for the biennial term of \$21,000.

The budget committee estimates the income for the biennial term ending June 30, 1921, as follows:

Annual license tax.....	\$68,000
Charter fees.....	8,000
Charter tax.....	500
Collateral inheritance tax.....	200,000
Direct inheritance tax.....	5,000
Corporation tax.....	3,070,000
Foreign insurance companies.....	30,000
Interest on bank balances.....	10,000
House of correction.....	20,000
Partnership tax.....	1,800
Secretary of state fees, including foreign corporation, creameries, oleomargarine fees.....	20,000
State prison.....	45,000
State hospital and Brattleboro retreat.....	30,000
Administration of justice.....	180,000
Miscellaneous.....	5,000
Total.....	\$3,711,300

The budget committee makes the following report and recommendations:

The increased cost of food, clothing and supplies the last two years has materially increased the cost of maintaining and caring for practically 1,500 inmates of our institutions besides the necessary attendants and employees. This leads the committee to recommend a material increase in the appropriation for the support of these institutions. The increased cost of these institutions made it necessary for the board of control during the year 1918 to appropriate necessary sums from the contingency fund, so called, as shown by part V, of this report.

Revenue—Expenses.
The committee calls attention to part I. of this report. These estimates are carefully made and if the legislature makes provisions for the proper care of the various state departments as recommended by the committee, it will necessitate the legislature providing for more revenue by direct tax or otherwise if special or military appropriations are required.

Department of Charities and Probation.
The committee in considering recommendations for the department of charities and probation did not feel justified at this time in recommending the appropriation asked for by the department. The department has been in existence for only about one year and a half. It has grown rapidly and its usefulness and benefits are undoubtedly apparent. Its possibilities are so large and its functions so state-wide and extensive that the committee thought wise to leave the general policy of its operations and the amount of appropriation to the legislature. The recommendation of appropriation made is based entirely upon the law now governing the department.

Highway and Engineer's Departments.
Both of these departments are more or less affected in their plans and policies by the extension of federal aid to highways of the state and the committee in recommending the appropriations did not take the future policy of these departments into consideration but left the same to such action as the legislature may see fit to make.

Deserted Families' Appropriation.
The legislature of 1915 provided for the payment by officers in charge of the house of correction and the county jails in which persons are confined for non-support of their families, certain sums of money for support of the dependents of such persons. This law has been found impracticable and the committee recommend the repeal of the provision as now found in Sec. 3542 of the general laws.

Damage by Deer.

Two years ago the legislature failed to make provision for payment of damage done by deer and such payments have been made by agreement between the auditor and the fish and game commissioner from the fish and game fund. Your committee, in table IV, recommend the appropriation of \$2,000 annually for the purpose of meeting such expense, and further recommend that the fish and game department be reimbursed the expenditures from its funds so made during the years 1917 and 1918, in the sum of \$9,211.53.

Soldiers' Home.

The trustees of the Soldiers' home ask the committee to recommend an appropriation of \$2,000 for use in making necessary repairs to the buildings at the home to be available early in the spring, and the committee recommend that the legislature make such an appropriation in addition to the regular appropriation recommended.

The following is descriptive of the statements and tables in six parts, and the committee recommend a careful study of the same.

Wholesalers Buy Clubs' Canned Products.
Ten community canning centers are the excellent start the boys' and girls' clubs have made in Spokane county, Wash., under the direction of the department of agriculture and the state agricultural college. These have been operated all summer by the boys and girls with the greatest of enthusiasm. Some of the women in the county also are using the centers. The wholesalers have agreed to buy all the products of the Spokane county centers which come up to the standards set by the state and county club leaders.

RACE PREJUDICE WILL START THE NEXT WAR

Ex-Minister of Justice Ozaki of Japan Believes It Will Be Because Colored Races Seek the Same Treatment as White Races.

Tokio, Dec. 19 (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—Belief that the next war will be the outcome of race prejudice is expressed by Yukio Ozaki, formerly minister of justice, and a leading member of the constitutional party. Mr. Ozaki said that, in his opinion, the colored races which steadily were developing their civilization would demand finally the same treatment as the white races, and that the result would be a collision.

Mr. Ozaki recommended that at the peace conference, Japan, acting on behalf of all the Asiatic races, should introduce the racial and population questions for consideration, and if possible secure a solution.

In a country like Japan, where the population is increasing with alarming rapidity, he said it was but natural that the surplus population should try to obtain an outlet, even by resorting to arms. From Japan's standpoint, said Mr. Ozaki, the racial and population questions were more important than President Wilson's "fourteen points" as laid down for a basis of Germany's surrender. These racial questions, he said, concerned the future of millions of souls in Asia.

Mr. Ozaki warned the Japanese not to develop the German system of state organization which in the present war had proved to be a mere machine for destroying civilization and for trampling under foot the rights of other nations and peoples.

On the question of Japan's occupation of the German South Sea islands, Mr. Ozaki declared that the United States should dismantle her forts in the Philippines and Hawaii, and that this would be more important for Japan than the taking over of the South Sea islands.

FOOD ADVANCES 2,000 PER CENT.

And There Is Little Food to Be Had in Constantinople at That Price.

The urgent need for immediate outside aid to the starving and destitute peoples of the near East is emphasized in a recent report received from the Ottoman empire by Dr. William W. Peet of Washington, D. C., representative of the American committee for relief in the near East (formerly the Armenian and Syrian relief).

The report states that, owing to advance of food prices in Constantinople to 20 times above those obtaining before the war, food supplies will have to be purchased in the United States. The abandonment of the ration of cheap bread which the government issued during the war, necessitated by the disorganization of the railroads in Asia, has also increased the need of immediate aid to keep refugees from starving.

The following cable, received from Teheran by Dr. Peet, shows the urgency of their need.

"Two hundred thousand refugees are outside the Caucasus. Those from Salmas and Van number 20,000. Those now in Hamadan, from Baku number 10,000. The soldiers have evacuated Petrowsk and Enzeli. They will be transported to Armenia. There is great need of relief from some source for the repatriation of refugees and orphans. It is very necessary that the troops for the occupation of the six Vilayets be increased. The Armenians even in the Caucasus are in great need of medicines and clothing. Relief can be sent via Batoun for the refugees."

Not the Old Gag.

"What! Didn't you catch anything at all?"

"Yes, I caught a dozen big ones, but they were stolen from me on the ear."

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—Boston Transcript.

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POSTING THE DESERT.

Important Work Being Carried Out By Geological Survey.

The United States geological survey, department of the interior, has surveyed and signposted a great area of the most dangerous desert region of the United States. The 30th annual report of the topographic division of the survey, just made public, describes the method employed of making the desert safe to the unwary traveler.

The region surveyed occupies about 60,000 square miles in southern California and southwestern Arizona. In California it includes the southern part of Death valley and the region between this valley and the Mexican border; in Arizona it includes the region west of Tucson and Phoenix and south of Wickenburg and Parker. This region was selected because it is the driest, hottest and least explored part of the desert region, and also because of the strategic importance of obtaining information on the water supplies along the 350 miles of national frontier that it includes. The field work was done by four parties, each of which consisted of one geologist and one nontechnical assistant, outfitted with an automobile and light camping equipment. Practically all watering places in the region were examined, about 160 samples of water were collected and shipped to the water resources laboratory at Washington, D. C., for analysis, and a general exploration was of which consisted of one geologist and

ground water conditions of the region. The maps prepared and the data obtained were made available to the army engineers for incorporation in the progressive military map of the United States. Guides with maps are being prepared for publication.

Signs directing travelers to water were erected at 167 localities in California and 138 in Arizona. The signposts are galvanized iron, 1 1/2 inches in outside diameter and 12 feet long. Each post is anchored in the ground with two redwood blocks. The signs are 18-gauge steel, galvanized, are white, with dark blue letters, and are substantially bolted to the posts. They are of two sizes, 18 by 20 inches and 9 by 20 inches. Most of the larger signs, of which 470 were erected, give the names, distances and directions to four watering places; most of the smaller signs, 165 of which were erected, give the names, distances and directions to two watering places. The work done last year is a part of a comprehensive plan for mapping and marking the watering places in the entire arid region lying east of the Sierra Nevada and Cascade mountains and west of a line running approximately from eastern Oregon through Salt Lake City and Santa Fe to the mouth of Pecos river.

A Harder Thing.

Grey—How are you getting along in the stock market?

Green—Well, I'll tell you. I traded a lot of money for experience and now I'm trying to reverse the process.—Boston Transcript.

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